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SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2009

AGENDA

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Adoption of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes Dated 04-23 and 05-12-09 (previously distributed)
5. Public Participation
6. Report from Area Agency on Aging 1-B (mailed)
7. Report from Mary Potts, Senior Services Kinship Care Coordinator of the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program (mailed)
8. Report from Cathy Wilson, Senior Services Program Developer, Regarding the 2009 Senior Fun Festival (mailed)
9. Approve Continued Funding for Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Clerical Support Position (mailed)
10. Concur with Director of Senior Services Department to Re-Establish the Macomb Emergency Needs for Seniors (M.E.N.S.) Fund and Gain Access to M.E.N.S. Funds Currently Held in Senior Services Special Needs Account #210 / 87095 (mailed)
11. Senior Services Department Director's Report (mailed)
12. New Business
13. Public Participation
14. Adjournment

MEMBERS: Rocca-Chair, Mocerri-Vice Chair, Brown, Rengert, Vosburg, Brdak, Camphous-Peterson, Torrice, Kepler and Gielegthem (ex-officio)

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RESOLUTION NO. _____

FULL BOARD MEETING DATE: _____

AGENDA ITEM: _____

MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION to receive and file report from representative of Area Agency on Aging 1-B

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.

PRESENTED BY: Representative of AAA 1-B

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AAA 1-B Report
Macomb County Department of Senior Citizens Committee Report
6/11/09

Digital Television Transition – Television stations are switching to digital on June 12, 2009

- AAA 1-B has information for individuals that have questions.
- AAA 1-B received a grant from N4A to assist with the transition.
 - In Macomb County, AAA 1-B is working with the Roseville Senior Center to assist individuals that need assistance to make the switch.
- There is also a Michigan DTV Helpline – sponsored by Don-Lors Electronics
 - 1-888-MI-DTV-09 (1-888-643-8809)

Macomb County Older Michiganians Rally was held on May 29, 2009 at the Ukrainian Cultural Center in Warren.

- Approximately 30 individuals participated at the rally
- Topics discussed were the Legislative Report Card and Senior Solutions to Help Michigan Weather the Economic Storm
 - Strategy 1 – Support Diversion Programs and Alternative Financing to Help the Bottom Line
 - Strategy 2 – Make Michigan a Retirement Destination of Choice
 - Strategy 3 – Help the Vulnerable Remain Independent
- Wednesday, June 24, 2009 is Older Michiganians Day. The event will be held in Lansing on the steps of the Capitol from 10am -12pm.
 - Anyone interested in attending can contact Amy Smyth at asmith@aaa1b.com to receive a free ticket (you need a ticket in order to receive a free boxed lunch).
 - There will be buses available to help transport anyone to Lansing.

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION to receive and file report from Mary Potts, Senior Services Kinship Care
Coordinator of the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.

PRESENTED BY: Mary Potts, Senior Services Kinship Care Coordinator

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION to receive and file report from Cathy Wilson, Senior Services Program Developer, regarding the 2009 Senior Fun Festival.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.

PRESENTED BY: Cathy Wilson, Senior Services Program Developer

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: to approve continued funding of \$10,000 from the County General Fund for the Grandparents Raising Grandchildren clerical support position for the period of October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010. Forward to Budget Committee.

History:

- The Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program was established in 1993. Originally funded was through the County General Fund.
- 1997 – 98: \$10,000 Brookdale Grant
- 1998 – 99: \$13,924 (Brookdale Grant)
- 1999 – 00: \$25,000 (SFSC Grant through the Dept. of Human Services [DHS])
- 2000 – 01: \$25,000 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2001 - 02: \$25,000 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2002 - 03: \$25,000 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2003 - 04: \$43,710 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2004 - 05: \$49,232 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2005 - 06: \$49,232 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
- 2006 - 07: \$42,249 (SFSC Grant through DHS) **Grant cut by \$6,983**
Budget Cuts: Food, recreation, clerical and operating expenses
- 2007 - 08: \$43,404 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
\$10,000 - County General Fund (1 part-time Clerk Typist I)
- 2008 – 09: \$42,152 (SFSC Grant through DHS)
\$10,000 - County General Fund (1 Part time Clerk Typist I)
- Outside Donations:
 - 2007: Over \$17,000 in donations received for GRG summer camp through Macomb Today fundraiser.
 - 2007–09: Over \$5,000 received through Dress Down donations. Funds currently held in Special Needs Account.
 - 2009: \$3,100 still available from 2007 Macomb Today fundraiser for 2010 summer camp. Funds currently held in Special Needs Account for summer camp

There is currently one part time Kinship Care Coordinator, one vacant part time Kinship Care Coordinator, and one part time Clerk Typist I in this program. The program is supervised by a professional Counselor through Senior Services.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.
PRESENTED BY: Angela Willis, Director

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: to concur with Director of Senior Services to re-establish Macomb
Emergency Needs for Seniors (M.E.N.S.) Fund and gain access to M.E.N.S. funds currently held in
Senior Services Special Needs Account #210 / 87095 (Forward to Budget Committee)

HISTORY:

- M.E.N.S. was established in 1993 and recognized by the State of Michigan in 1994
- By-Laws were created and a M.E.N.S. Board was established. The Board consisted of a Chairperson, Secretary and Treasurer. Officers consisted of any employees of Macomb County Senior Citizen Services/
- The purpose of M.E.N.S. was to provide up to \$400 (one time only) in financial assistance to Macomb County residents age 60 and older, to alleviate a crisis situation. Assistance was not limited to medical needs, food, utility shut-off notices but any crisis that was determined an emergency by the officers of M.E.N.S.
- Funding for emergency needs was received through various local fundraisers as well as a yearly County donation through Dress Down day.
- In 2004, the M.E.N.S Officers disbanded and the program ceased to function.
- In 2004, there was approximately \$5,048 in donation funds that were not accessed by the Officers of the M.E.N.S. Program. Such funds were deposited into Senior Services Special Needs Account #210 / 87095.
- There is currently \$5,048 in M.E.N.S. donation funds held in Senior Services Special Needs Account #210/87095 that are earmarked for the M.E.N.S. Fund.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.

PRESENTED BY: Angela Willis, Director

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MACOMB COUNTY, MICHIGAN

RESOLUTION: receive and file report from Director.

INTRODUCED BY: Commissioner Sue Rocca, Chair, Senior Services Committee.

PRESENTED BY: Angela Willis, Director

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MACOMB COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR SERVICES

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

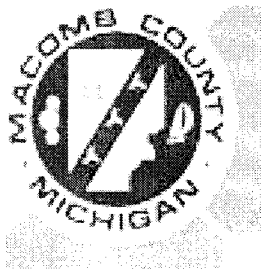
June 11, 2009

1. Project Fresh (see attachment)
2. M.E.N.S. Fund (Macomb Emergency Needs for Seniors)
3. Focus Group Collaborative with Dr. Thomas Jankowski, Associate Director of Research and Training from the Institute of Gerontology at Wayne State University and United Way
 - **Purpose:** Bring a diverse group of seniors together to discuss services that Macomb County Senior Services currently provides, as well as other agencies provide.
 - **Where:** Macomb County Senior Services Adult Day Service
 - **When:** Monday, June 15, 2009 from 1 – 3pm
4. Happy Birthday 65! (Update of May 19, 2009)
5. Older Michiganiaan's Day (Warren - Update of May 28, 2009)
6. Resource Advocacy Year to Date Savings (attachment)
7. Zip Code List

3.

Save the Date:

- 6/17/09: Senior Fun Festival 10am – 3:30pm: Gibraltar Trade Center, Mt. Clemens
- 6/24/09: Older Michiganiaan's Day, **Lansing**
- 8/12/09: Safe, Sound and Secure Conference, Vintage House, Fraser



Are you one of the 70% of Michigan seniors that do not get the recommended amount of fruit and vegetable servings you need each day?

Macomb County Senior Citizen Services invites you to apply for Michigan's Senior Project FRESH program.

Project FRESH provides Michigan grown produce to seniors aged 60 and over who have a total household income of less than **\$2,246.00** per month for 2 people, or less than **\$1,669.00** for a one-person household. Each household will receive a booklet of coupons worth \$20.00 to be used at a local Farmers Market. Macomb County Senior Citizen Services will be at the following sites to distribute coupon books. **You must pre-register and bring proof of income to attend.**

Wednesday, June 10
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Cairns Community Center
58 Orchard
Mt. Clemens

Monday, June 22
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Washington Sr. Center
57880 Van Dyke
Washington

Friday, June 26
10:00 am – 2:00 pm
Warren Community Center
5440 Arden
Warren

If you think you qualify and would like to receive these coupons please call Robin Auten, (586)466-8725 to pre-register for one of the scheduled distribution sites.



**MACOMB COUNTY
DEPARTMENT OF SENIOR CITIZEN SERVICES**

2008 - 2009 REPORT

RESOURCE ADVOCACY	OCT	NOV	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	TOTAL
Total Clients	2591	206	185	256	597	275	176	4,286
Total Services	4,287	1,640	1,539	1,564	2,070	1,495	1,291	13,886
Total Unduplicated Clients (Quarterly)	n/a	n/a	2,942	n/a	n/a	1,031	1,031	5,004
Taxes	12	2	1	61	452	111	31	670
*Units	n/a	n/a	1,101	n/a	n/a	1165	n/a	2,266
*Savings to Seniors (# of Units x \$75/hr)	n/a	n/a	\$82,575.00	n/a	n/a	\$87,375.00	n/a	\$169,950.00
TITLE III COUNSELING:								
Initial Contacts*	11	2	0	3	4	2	10	32
Sub. & Other Contacts*	26	27	50	16	13	14	14	160
Groups	9	193	27	10	7	2	3	251
Total	46	222	77	29	24	18	27	443
*Savings to Seniors (# of units x \$90/hr)	\$4,140.00	\$2,610.00	\$4,500.00	\$1,710.00	\$1,530.00	\$1,440.00	\$2,160.00	\$18,090.00
PRN PROGRAM:								
New Clients Enrolled	10	3	3	3	6	3	4	32
Clients Referred to other sources	52	60	23	48	53	56	30	322
PRN Monies Collected	\$200	\$50	\$50	\$75	\$900	\$675	\$100.00	\$2,050
Client Medication Savings	\$29,681.14	\$41,503.94	\$36,580.00	\$6,030.00	\$6,930.00	\$48,034.00	\$31,901.00	\$200,660.08
ADULT DAY SERVICE								
North Site Clients Served	30	31	28	20	27	23	18	177
South Site Clients Served	32	27	28	24	23	30	22	186
FOOD PROGRAMS:								
Project Fresh / Clients Served	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Project Fresh / Value of Food Received	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Focus Hope / Clients Served	n/a	n/a	n/a	36	36	36	36	144
Focus Hope / Value of Food Received	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00	\$2,475.00	\$1,800.00	\$7,875.00
Commodities / Clients Served	n/a	n/a	n/a	40	40	45	47	172
Commodities / Value of Food Received	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$675.00	\$840.00	\$2,715.00
WEBSITE VISITORS	5678	4815	4927	7,280	6,289	6,620	5,491	41,100
LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:								
Persons Assisted	152	154	121	126	172	220	205	1150
Walk-ins	25	28	18	26	18	31	22	168
Files Opened	2	0	1	11	6	9	16	45
Files Closed	2	3	13	0	8	0	13	39
Presentations/Persons Attending	Jan-50	0 / 0	0 / 0	0	0	0	0	0
*Units	n/a	n/a	n/a	837	n/a	n/a	875	1,712.00
*Savings to Seniors (# of Units x \$135	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$112,995.00	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$112,995.00